

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 17-41 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 21, 22 and 26 are cancelled without prejudice. Claims 17 and 35 have been amended without prejudice based on Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter and reasons for allowance. Claim 25 has been amended to maintain claim antecedence.

In particular, the Examiner indicated that the element of "output means connected to said engine for transmitting output signals" of claim 21 would be allowable. This element has been included in amended claim 17. As such, Applicant submits that claim 17 is in condition for allowance.

The Examiner also indicated that the element of "said step of performing transformations is performed when a change in said inputs is detected during said monitoring" of claim 39 would be allowable. This element has been included in amended claim 35. As such, Applicant submits that claim 35 is in condition for allowance.

For similar reasons, as well as the additional limitations contained therein, claims 18-20, 23-34 and 38-41, which are dependent on independent claims 17 and 35, are also believed to be in condition for allowance. As the Examiner has indicated that claims 36 and 37 are allowed, Applicant submits that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing comments, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Favourable action on this application is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any further concerns regarding the language of the claims or the applicability of the cited references, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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